

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN – SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2019, 6:00 PM
TOWN HALL – JUDGE WELSH ROOM**

Chair Abramson convened the open meeting at 6:00 pm noting the following:

Select Board attending: Chair David Abramson, Members John Golden, Lise King and Louise Venden

Excused: Vice Chair Robert Anthony

Other attendees: Acting Town Manager David Gardner and Select Board Secretary Elizabeth Paine

Recorder: Elizabeth Paine

Consent Agenda – Approval without objection required for the following items:

- A. *Surplus Equipment- declare the following list of equipment as surplus, and to authorize the Chief of Police under the direction of the Town Manager to dispose of same in the manner deemed most advantageous to the Town. Ford Police Interceptor Utility - VIN# 1FM5K8AR2FGA16000 (Unit 6071) and Ford Police Interceptor Utility - VIN# 1FM5K8AR2FGA16001 (Unit 6072)*
- B. *Parking Restriction for First Light - vote in the interest of public safety to ban on-street parking on Commercial Street between Johnson Street and Court Street during the First Light Provincetown Event from 2:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 26, 2019, until 2:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 2, 2020.*
- C. *Appoint John R Peters Campbell as a regular member to the Public Landscape Committee with a term to expire on December 31, 2020*

Without objection Chair Abramson waived the reading of the consent items and without further objection declared the consent agenda approved.

Move: David Abramson

Seconded: Lise King

Vote 4-0-0

1. Public Statements – Three (3) minutes maximum. Select Board Members do not respond during public statements

- Rick Murray – Town Manager Search Committee met on Thursday, applicants will be interviewed next Monday and hope to have recommendation to the Board but the end of the day.

2. Select Board Member’s Opening Statements – (Votes may be taken)

- **Lise King** – Thanked audience members who came in person to the meeting. Thanked people who came to visit the town over the weekend and the businesses who stayed open during the off season. Requested people be mindful of their neighbors, and checking on their neighbors. Got an old taste of Provincetown during a memorial held over the weekend.
- **Louise Venden** – Thank you Rick, for showing up and talking about the search. On November 13th, the last of the housing forums will be held to talk about the VFW site and 26 Shank Painter Road site. Have a safe Halloween and enjoy yourself.
- **John Golden** – I am good
- **David Abramson** – Last Thursday, I attended the senior luncheon, great to see all the volunteers in the room.

3. Appointments – None

4. Public Hearings

- A. Curb Cut – 12 Bradford Street - Application by Dana Short, requesting approval to install a 10-foot wide driveway for 1 parking spaces on the front of the property located at 12 Bradford Street, Provincetown, MA in order to access the property for parking. (Assessor’s Map 6-4, Parcel 72).**

Louise Venden read the public hearing notice – curb cut for 12 Bradford Street.

Applicant Dana Short appeared before the Select Board to request a curb cut at his property at 12 Bradford Street. Would like to cut down the hedge and park their car on their property. It is difficult for the homeowner to unload the car and dog when there is no parking nearby, so they end up blocking the street while unloading. The property does have a garage off Mechanic Street, it does not allow for 2 cars to park. Would like to add a curb cut to get their vehicle to get off the street.

Staff pointed out that approving this curb cut would go against some of the policies that the Board currently has in place. The Board did not wish to see loss of green space and suggested during traffic hearing move the parking space backwards so front gate would be not blocked.

Move that the Select Board vote, pursuant to Provincetown General By-law Section 11, section 6-2 to deny the request of Dana Short, for a curb cut at 12 Bradford Street as presented (Assessor’s Map 6-4, Parcel 72)

Motion: Louise Venden

Seconded: John Golden

Vote: 4-0-0

5. Joint Meeting/Presentations/Requests – (Votes may be taken on the following items):

- A. Cape Cod Commission Update – Cape Cod Commission Representative Cheryl Andrews**

Cape Cod Commission Representative Cheryl Andrews presented to the Select Board an update of what has been happening at the Cape Cod Commission (CCC). The CCC has been discussing climate change in how they should incorporate it into the regional policy plan. Currently there is a petition to amend the regional policy to include climate change. Recommended the Select Board read articles submitted to the packet and will be informing the Board when the public hearings will be taking place.

- B. Eversource Community Battery Facility – Presentation by Environmental Planner Timothy Famulare and Eversource representative Charlotte Ancel**

Environmental Planner Timothy Famulare was present with representatives of Eversource. Mr. Famulare presented the final draft agreement between the Town and Eversource. The lease includes a 1.5-acre parcel portion of land at the transfer station and the lease would be for 25 years. Eversource will also be donating 17K to the town to plant towns. Eversource has been conducting neighborhood outreach with an introductory letter to explain to them what is happening and as the construction goes on we will continue the outreach, the public will be given phone numbers, email and website pamphlets to ask and get information through.

Move that the Select Board vote, pursuant to the vote taken under Article 14 of the April 1, 2019 Annual Town Meeting, to execute an Energy Services Agreement, subject to any final review and approval by

Town Counsel, by and between the Town and NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for the purposes of constructing, operating and maintaining a battery storage facility to be owned by Eversource on a portion of the parcel of land located at 90 Race Point Road shown as Assessor's Map 9-2, Parcel 24, and described in a deed recorded with the Barnstable County Registry of Deeds in Book 12449, Page 25 with the primary objective of utilizing such battery storage facility for the provision of energy services to the Town, and to authorize the Acting Town Manager to take any further actions as required by law with respect thereto.

**Motion: John Golden
Seconded: Louise Venden
Vote: 4-0-0**

Move that the Select Board vote, pursuant to the vote taken under Article 14 of the April 1, 2019 Annual Town Meeting, to grant an access and utility easement, subject to any final review and approval by Town Counsel, appurtenant to the aforementioned Energy Services Agreement in, on and under said parcel of land.

**Motion: Louise Venden
Seconded: John Golden
Vote: 4-0-0**

C. Joint Meeting with the Harbor Committee – Harbormaster's Services Agreement/Marine Coordinator

Harbor Committee – Elise Cozzi, Francis Santos, David Flattery, Laura Ludwig, Wendy L, Susan Avellar and Staff Liaison Marine Coordinator Rex McKinsey

The Harbor Committee is requesting the Select Board to take no action on the expired Harbormaster's services agreement with the Provincetown Public Pier Corporation (PPPC) and place the Harbormaster back under the jurisdiction under the Town Master. The Harbor Committee has no problem with the PPPC managing Macmillan pier, they expressed concerns over having the PPPC oversee the management of the Harbor. The Committee feels the Harbormaster should fall under the commissioner of public safety, which is the Town Manager, not the PPPC. They like the idea of the Pier manager overseeing the management of the pier, and the harbor should be responsible to the harbor and overseen by the Harbor Committee. In the past 15 – 20 years the harbor has grown, the largest growth has been the arrival of cruise ships and ferry services. In the 2015 MOU with the PPPC, it spells out the objectives of the PPPC, and support the idea that they should be a facility manager and not oversee the Harbormaster. The Harbor Committee expressed concerns about fisherman's complaints and feels that the issues haven't been able to be dealt with as the previous Harbor Master had been given an overloaded work load. The Committee presented a visual separation of the roles of the Marine Superintendent, Harbor Master and Pier Manager. The Select Board discussed with the Acting Town Manager the role of the Select Board in regard to this position and next steps.

D. Harbor Hill Update

Louise Venden provided information from the Finance Director to give an update on the financial cash available to get the renovations complete at Harbor Hill. The Finance Director will be working with the Trust to look at the financial documents moving forward. We have finally cleared land court and hope to move forward with

condominium documents and are still working on cash falls. 6 units are currently occupied and 22 still under construction.

E. Discuss scheduling meeting with the Truro Select Board to discuss short term housing solutions.

Chair Dave Abramson noted that we do have a meeting scheduled for February 2020 that will be to discuss housing. The Board discussed scheduling a special meeting on November 18, 2019 to discuss among the board prior to meeting jointly with Truro housing solutions.

F. Petitioned Article – Mike Travolta - Special Town Meeting – Monday, December 2, 2019

Move that the Select Board vote to hold a Special Town Meeting on December 2, 2019 at 6:00 pm, petitioned by 200 registered voters of the Town of Provincetown in accordance with Massachusetts General Law C. 39, §10

Motion: Louise Venden

Seconded: Lise King

Vote: 4-0-0

Move that the Select Board vote to open the warrant for the Special Town Meeting to be held on December 2, 2019 forthwith, in accordance with Charter Chapter 2, §1c and to insert said petitioned article.

Motion: Louise Venden

Seconded: Lise King

Vote: 4-0-0

Move that the Select Board vote to close the warrant for the December 2,2019 Special Town Meeting, in accordance with Charter Cahpter 2 § 3e

Motion: Louise Venden

Seconded: Lise King

Vote: 4-0-0

6. Town Manager Administrative Matters – Topics to include but not limited to: (Votes May be taken on the following items)

1. Staff Biweekly updates

Acting Town Manager David Gardner – will be meeting jointly with Town Council and Town of Truro staff to discuss the property previously discussed. The Library is working on their strategic plan. The Town Hall work has begun; the slate roof is slotted to be worked on this week and panting soon often. Parking fees with end Oct 31st and the signs will all be removed by DPW staff. Traffic hearing will be held on Nov 4th starting at 5 pm.

7. Minutes - (Votes May Be Taken)

1. October 15, 2019

Move that the Select Board approve the minutes of:

October 15, 2019 5 pm

(Special) [] as printed [x] with changes so noted

October 15, 2019 6 pm

(Regular)[] as printed [x] with changes so noted

Motion: Louise Venden

Seconded: Lise King

Vote: 4-0-0

8. Select Board Closing Matters - Topics to Include but not limited to: (Votes May be taken on the following items)

1. Pending Items List

- **Lise King** – that’s it for me, thank you.
- **Louise Venden** – I will not be here for the traffic hearing; I think we are moving forward on the PPPC/Harbor committee issue.
- **John Golden** – I am good.
- **David Abramson** – none.

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm

Minutes transcribed by: Elizabeth Paine